

Please amend this application as follows:

In the Title:

Please rewrite the title as follows:

-- A COMPONENT BASED INTERFACE TO HANDLE TASKS DURING
CLAIM PROCESSING. - -

In the Claims

Please amend Claim 27 in its entirety as follows (the changes in this claim from the previous version to the rewritten version are shown in Appendix A, with strikethroughs for deleted matter and underlines for added matter).

CI sub 27. (Amended) The system of Claim 22, wherein the identified rules are regulatory compliance requirements, account servicing requirements and best practices for handling all types of claims.

REMARKS

The remaining issues regarding this application are as follows:

- The Examiner has objected to the specification;
- The Examiner rejected Claim 27 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, 2nd paragraph as being indefinite;
- The Examiner rejected Claims 33 and 51 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, 1st paragraph as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification; and
- The Examiner rejected Claims 22-51 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Abbruzzese et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,557,515).

Applicants respectfully traverse the objection and rejections and respectfully request the Examiner withdraw the rejections in light of the amended claims and the following remarks